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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Heritage Conservancy Board Of the Town of Clarkdale, Held on August 5, 2003 at 4:00 p.m., In the Basement Meeting Room in the Clark Memorial Library, Clarkdale, Arizona.

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Board Members:

Chairperson Pat Williams Linda McDonough Jerry Wombacher Jesus S. Valdez George Benatz

Staff: Admin. Assistant Charlotte Hawken

Others in attendance: Jean Stevens, Betty Lyall, Mary Sue Hill, Barbara Williams, Robert (Ed) Williams, Roberta Westcott, Mary Lu Estlick, James Schulz, Rodney Fielitz, John Stevenson, Robert Noland, Chuck Bennett, Ed Knight, Mike Westcott, and Frank Sa.

CALL TO ORDER - Chairperson Williams called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m. and noted that all members were present..

WORKSESSION - A worksession on the Arizona Department of Transportation State Route 89A widening project and proposed improvements. Mr. Alvin Stump, Development Engineer with ADOT, Prescott, narrated a slide show providing information about a new roundabout design, a video case study of it's use in Vail Colorado, and a computer simulation. The main benefits of a roundabout that were presented were continuous flow of traffic with less delays and higher capacity.

If it is determined to be the appropriate design, Chairperson Williams moved to add to her motion of 7/23/03, so that it reads: based on the board's belief that saving as much of the history of Clarkdale as possible is imperative, it is the recommendation of the Heritage

construction of an Urban Single Lane Roundabout at that intersection is scheduled to begin after June 2006. The other intersections on Highway 89A between Black Hills Drive and Old Main will be evaluated for roundabouts over the next six weeks.

Discussion included the following:

- The limitations of monuments placed in the center of a roundabout have to do with sight distance on the edges of the inner circle.
- The possibility of runaway vehicles coming down the slope from Jerome.
- The radius of the inner circle allowing easy access for large cement trucks and the benefits of going around vs. going straight at a signal.

There will be a public meeting for further discussion at the end of September.

At 5:00 p.m. the Board adjourned to the Library to continue the meeting. The meeting reconvened at 5:10 p.m. in the Clark Memorial Library.

GAZEBO - Consideration of the bandstand project. The Board discussed the idea of moving the bandstand to the center of a roundabout at SR 89A and Old Main. They agreed it would be an attractive nuisance inviting pedestrian traffic, distracting drivers, limiting the view of the road for drivers, and that it would be in harms way from out of control vehicles.

Conservancy Board that the Town Council proceed with plans to restore the current gazebo/bandstand in its present location, retaining as much of the original materials as possible; and further that:

- <u>if necessary, it is acceptable to raise the height of the railing to current code;</u>
- <u>if necessary for safety, it is acceptable</u> to change the rise, tread and width of the steps to meet current code;
- <u>it is acceptable to add provisions on the inside of the railing to meet safety concerns, i.e. metal mesh, hardware cloth or lattice, however the current railing design should be retained;</u>
- materials be used that are comparable to the original materials used;
- the restored gazebo/bandstand be painted the original color scheme; and
- the flag pole which was attached to the gazebo/bandstand be reconstructed to appear as it was originally.

Further, if the gazebo is moved it will destroy the historical significance of place and it will be removed from the National Register of historic Places. Therefore the Heritage Conservancy Board is vehemently opposed to any attempt to relocate the gazebo from its present location for any reason.

The Board requests that it be involved in the decision making regarding the project and that it will conduct research to aid in the process. Boardmember Valdez seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT - With no further business before the Board, and without objection, Chairperson Williams adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Pat Williams, Chairperson SUBMITTED:

APPROVED:

Charlotte Hawken, Admin. Assistant